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2 October 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, Industrial Division
FROM: Chief, Guided Missile Branch
SUBJECT: Monthly Report, September 1959

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1. Support to Other Agencies and Components:

a. During September, I/GM was engaged in work on four National Estimates. For NIE 11-5-59, a supplementary contribution was forwarded at the request of the Chairman, GMAIC, which, among other things, has apparently demonstrated to GMAIC's satisfaction that the Soviet ICBM is probably in series production. Support was provided throughout the month to the sometime Chief, D/I and the Board of National Estimates on NIE 11-8-59. Meanwhile, a preliminary contribution was made to I/ME on NIE 11-4-59 and initial research was begun on NIE 11-3-60. ✓

b. A paper was prepared for the DCI's use commenting on the public and those private statements available thus far made by Khrushchev on various aspects of guided missiles during his visit to the U.S. (see 3.b., below). ✓

c. A formal requirement has been prepared [redacted] outlining CIA's needs for a series of priority studies to be completed [redacted] within one year. This requirement is the culmination of the recent exchange of correspondence between the DD/I and the [redacted] on this long-standing problem. We are advised informally that the expected completion date on a limited requirement of a similar type has been advanced by at least several months over that reported last month as a direct result of [redacted] intervention. ✓

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d. At the request of DD/P, [redacted] briefed the director [redacted] on guided missile intelligence collection requirements. In addition, I/GM participated in the briefing of 35 officers of DD/P/FI and 30 contact specialists of OO/C not previously briefed on missiles. ✓

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- e. I/GM contributed to an OCI Weekly Review article with respect to the guided missile implications of a recent series of events in the Soviet Far East. Other OCI support included the preparation of a Bulletin item by [REDACTED] 25X1A9a concerning a substantial increase in Soviet military construction activity.
- 25X1A9a f. [REDACTED] presented briefings on various aspects of Soviet guided missile deployment at the CIA Guided Missile Forum on 30 September.
- 25X1A9a g. [REDACTED] was commandeered by the sometime Chief, D/I to assist in the preparation of material for the Jackson Committee, and [REDACTED] was assigned for two weeks as the I/GM member of a special ORR task force under the direction of Chief, St/I/P. 25X1A9a
- h. At various times during the month, discussions on machine data processing problems and proposals were held with: the ORR representative on the OCR Data and Automation Group, whose final report on the applicability of the MINICARD system to missile problems is now being prepared; the AD/RR's designee for assessing EDPM in connection with a report prepared for the DD/I; SR/OCR regarding possible alternatives to MINICARD and other problems; [REDACTED] 25X1D1a regarding expansion of that agency's machine processing and reporting of certain high-volume materials; and AFCIN and ATIC, arranging for receipt by I/GM of certain listings from ATIC's 704 computer program.
- 25X1A8a i. At the request of OO/C, and with the knowledge of St/I/R, specially-tailored guidance on missiles was prepared for several high level U.S. citizens who were to have the opportunity to talk with Khrushchev. K., however, was on a "peace" mission and apparently could not be drawn into rocket conversation.
2. Status of Projects:
- 25X1A2g a. In consultation with St/I, the ORR preliminary assessment of Operation [REDACTED] (Project No. 37.2494) is being prepared for the joint OO/ORR/OSI conference being held in San Francisco in October to evaluate the [REDACTED] program. 25X1A2g
- b. An internal review of the FY 1960 research program of I/GM has been started which is expected to result in a number

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of recommended program changes, as a result of the reorganization of the branch, the influx of new data, new consumer demands, and the impact of NIE 11-8-59 and 11-3-60.

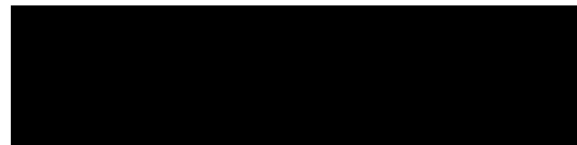
3. Problems:

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- a. Another rat's nest of unprocessed and unexploited material has been discovered [REDACTED] by I/GM operatives. This material was the subject of a detailed formal CIA requirement of January 1959. I/GM is now preparing another communication [REDACTED] which will request, ore rotundo, that appropriate action be taken to satisfy this requirement. ✓
- b. Serious difficulties are still being encountered in identifying and then gaining access to sources, reports and memoranda, and photographic materials associated with the Nixon trip to the USSR and Khrushchev's visit to the U.S. This appears to be the consequence of inadequate planning and control within the Agency (to say nothing of the Community), as well as inadequate liaison between the intelligence and policy elements of the government. In view of the intelligence potential of such exchanges, particularly in the field of guided missiles, it is considered extremely important that the staffing for the forthcoming trip of the President to the USSR be substantially improved. In our opinion, this will require much earlier and more complete planning and preparation, and the designation of a single high-level control point (e.g., the DDCI's office) responsible for all Agency participation and exploitation of the trip, as well as for more effective liaison with the White House, the Secretary of State's office, and other interested parties. ✓
- c. Other Problems: yes.

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